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TELEPHONE FACILITY IN WEST BENGAL
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the authority responsible for selecting village telephone and the criteria laid down for the selection of the authority;

(b) whether the criteria was followed in respect to Manana under Barjora Gram Panchayat and Jalanjuri under Godardihi Gram Panchayat both in the district of Bankura, West Bengal; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefore?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

(a) The selection of custodian for the VPTs is done by the Head of Telecom District of BSNL, considering accessibility and convenience for the villagers to make calls from these VPTs.

(b) & (c) VPT has not yet been provided at Manana under Barjoda Gram Pachayat and Jalanjuri under Godardihi Gram Panchayat in district of Bankura, West Bengal.